

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, insert the following heading and paragraph:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is a continuation of Application Serial No. 10/237,329 filed September 6, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6684663, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 09/688,655 filed October 16, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6476351, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 09/309,982 filed May 11, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,211,484, which was a divisional of Application Serial No. 08/690,309 filed July 30, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,932,119, issued August 3, 1999. --

On page 2, line 19 please amend the fourth complete paragraph as follows:

U.S. Patent No. 4,799,786, incorporated herein by reference, relates to a method of diamond identification ~~provides a method for the identification of diamonds~~ in which a sample to be identified is placed in a beam of monochromatic laser radiation of pre-determined wavelength. The scattered Raman radiation emitted from the sample is passed through a filter adapted to pass only scattered Raman radiation of frequency characteristic of a diamond. The filtered radiation is then detected by the human eye or a photocell device. See also, U.S. Patent Nos. 4,397,556 and 4,693,377, and foreign patent GB 2,140,555, Melles Griot, Optics Guide 3, 1985, pp. 1, 333, 350, 351; and Solin et al., Physical Review B, 1(4):1687-1698 (Feb. 15, 1970).